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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that transport branch of Delhi Milk Scheme is incurring heavy losses due to non-utilization of the capacity of milk vans fully;

(b) if so, the details of monthly losses during the last one year on this account;

(c) the steps taken to minimise the transportation costs;

(d) whether the Government are aware that the maintenance of staff cars is done through private workshops for the last one year inspite of the fact that Delhi Milk Scheme has its own workshops and experts team;

(e) the reasons to get maintenance work and from private workshops; and

(f) the details of total monthly expenditure on each staff car for the last one year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (DR DEBENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (c): Delhi Milk Scheme is not incurring heavy losses in transport Branch.Total transport cost has not increased after the price hike. On the contrary, before the price hike 99 DMS vans were carrying the milk to 1436 points/depots daily; and after the price hike 96 DMS vans are supplying milk to 1564 points/depots daily in Delhi.Necessary rationalization/re-organisation of Distribution routes is undertaken continuously to keep the transport cost to bare minimum.

(d) & (e): Major maintenance work of the DMS Staff cars is done through the workshop owned/run by the manufacturer of the vehicles i.e. Hindustan Motors and Maruti Udyog as is the case with other Central Government Departments based in DelhiHowever the minor repair works are done in the DMS workshop itself which is basically meant for the maintenance of heavy vehicles (milk vans) inspite of the fact that the DMS does not have any experts team for the maintenance of its staff cars.

(f): The average monthly maintenance expenditure on one staff car for the last year was Rs.2,759/- only.